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In re Application of

GUERRY et al.

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Serial No.: 09/439,311

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FOR: A RECOMBINANT POLYPEPTIDE FOR USE IN THE MANUFACTURE OF VACCINES AGAINST CAMPYLOBACTER INDUCED DIARRHEA AND TO REDUCE COLONIZATION

## RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 26, 2002. The three-month shortened statutory period expired on October 26, 2002. Applicants are submitting herewith a three month extension of time extending the period for response to January 26, 2003. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

In view of the following remarks and amendments, Applicants respectfully submit that all pending claims are now in condition for allowance. In response to the Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as indicated in Appendices A and B submitted herewith. Appendix A is a marked-up copy of the amended portion of the specification and Appendix B is a clean